

GREENE COUNTY

FARM STATISTICS

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Greene county is located in the Hudson valley region of the state in the Catskill mountains. In 1998, there were 51,200 acres in farms, 12 percent of the county's total 414,720 acres. There were 280 farms in the county averaging 183 acres per farm. Greene county ranks 48th in the state for number of farms and 48th for land in farms.

In 1997, according to the Census of Agriculture, the market value of all agricultural products sold from county farms was \$8.8 million. Total sales averaged \$35,988 per farm. The leading products sold were: dairy products, poultry products, nursery and greenhouse, cattle and calves, and vegetables.

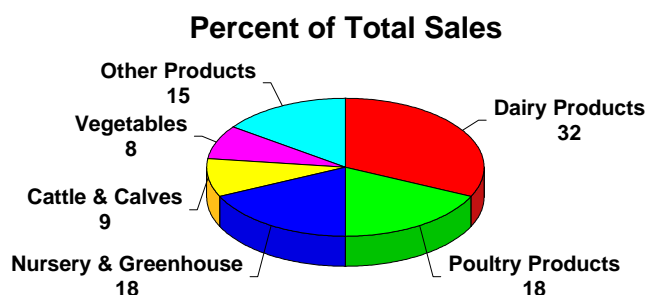
The average value of land and buildings per farm in 1997 was \$281,800. Machinery and equipment were valued at \$45,514 per farm. Total production expenses in 1997 were \$8.8 million for an average of \$35,390 per farm. The Census showed 47 percent of the farm operators reported farming as their principal occupation. The average age of the operator was 56.0 years. Data from the U.S. Department of Commerce showed the average personal income for all wage earners in the county in 1996 was \$18,854.

LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

| Product | 1997 Sales Thous. Dol. | Percent of Total | County Rank |
|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| Dairy Products | 2,848 | 32 | 48 |
| Poultry Products | 1,587 | 18 | 14 |
| Nursery & Greenhouse | 1,571 | 18 | 34 |
| Cattle & Calves | 766 | 9 | 46 |
| Vegetables | 684 | 8 | 32 |
| Other Products | 1,325 | 15 | |
| TOTAL SALES | 8,781 | | 50 |

1997 Census of Agriculture

LEADING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS



FARMS, LAND IN FARMS, AND LAND USE

| Year | Number of Farms | Land in Farms | Total Cropland 1/ | Permanent Pasture 2/ | Total Woodland 3/ | Other Land 4/ |
|------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| | | Acres | Acres | Acres | Acres | Acres |
| 1940 | 1,653 | 209,877 | 5/ | 5/ | 58,401 | 5/ |
| 1950 | 1,300 | 171,835 | 77,073 | 30,211 | 53,162 | 11,389 |
| 1959 | 733 | 136,459 | 71,194 | 20,794 | 36,842 | 7,629 |
| 1969 | 377 | 79,284 | 34,489 | 5/ | 26,026 | 5/ |
| 1978 | 304 | 67,365 | 34,095 | 5,302 | 22,910 | 5,058 |
| 1982 | 301 | 63,598 | 31,646 | 8,104 | 18,402 | 5,446 |
| 1987 | 310 | 58,400 | 26,900 | 8,300 | 19,400 | 3,800 |
| 1992 | 260 | 50,400 | 25,700 | 4,900 | 15,700 | 4,100 |
| 1993 | 265 | 49,800 | 25,400 | 4,700 | 15,400 | 4,300 |
| 1994 | 275 | 49,700 | 25,400 | 4,800 | 15,200 | 4,300 |
| 1995 | 275 | 50,700 | 25,900 | 5,100 | 15,300 | 4,400 |
| 1996 | 280 | 51,500 | 26,000 | 5,400 | 15,100 | 5,000 |
| 1997 | 290 | 52,400 | 26,700 | 5,700 | 15,200 | 4,800 |
| 1998 | 280 | 51,200 | 25,800 | 5,700 | 15,100 | 4,600 |

1940-1982 U.S. Census of Agriculture 1/ Includes cropland pastured. 2/ Excludes cropland and woodland pastured.
3/ Includes woodland pastured. 4/ Land in house lots, ponds, wasteland, etc. 5/ Not available.

FARMS BY SALES CLASS

| Sales Class | 1992 | 1997 |
|-----------------------------|------|------|
| Number of Farms | | |
| Under \$10,000 | 134 | 145 |
| \$10,000 to \$49,999 | 50 | 59 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 14 | 16 |
| \$100,000 or more | 24 | 24 |
| Farms Reporting | 222 | 244 |
| U. S. Census of Agriculture | | |

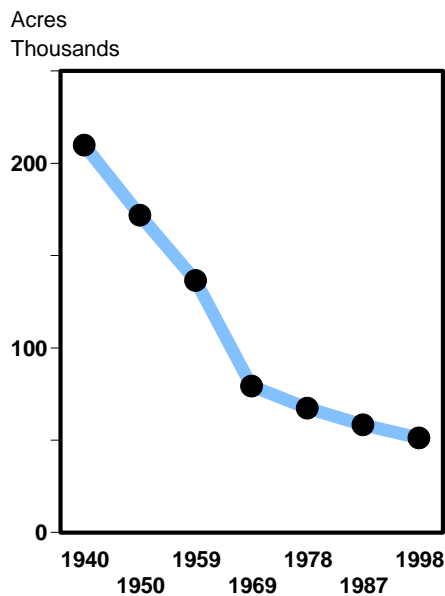
RESIDENT POPULATION

In 1998, County's population ranked 52nd in the state

| Year | Total | Population Per Square Mile |
|------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 1940 | 27,900 | 43 |
| 1950 | 28,700 | 44 |
| 1960 | 31,400 | 48 |
| 1970 | 33,100 | 51 |
| 1980 | 40,900 | 63 |
| 1990 | 44,700 | 69 |
| 1998 | 47,807 | 73 |

U.S. Census of Population

Land in Farms



CATTLE: Number on Farms, January 1

| Year | All Cattle & Calves | Beef Cows | Milk Cows |
|-----------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Number on farms | | | |

| | | | |
|------|--------|-------|--------|
| 1940 | 19,669 | 1/ | 1/ |
| 1950 | 19,000 | 351 | 11,683 |
| 1959 | 16,628 | 304 | 10,093 |
| 1969 | 10,914 | 696 | 5,490 |
| 1978 | 9,500 | 800 | 4,700 |
| 1982 | 8,800 | 800 | 3,800 |
| 1987 | 7,300 | 900 | 3,000 |
| 1992 | 5,500 | 800 | 1,800 |
| 1993 | 5,500 | 900 | 1,900 |
| 1994 | 5,500 | 1,100 | 1,700 |
| 1995 | 5,400 | 900 | 2,000 |
| 1996 | 5,000 | 900 | 1,000 |
| 1997 | 5,000 | 800 | 1,500 |
| 1998 | 5,200 | 700 | 1,500 |

1940 - 1969 U.S. Census of Agriculture
1/ Not available.

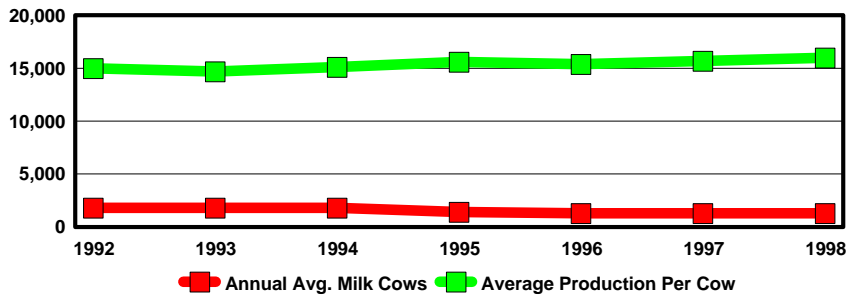
MILK: Cows & Production

| Year | Annual Avg. Milk Cows | Average Production Per Cow | Total Milk Production |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| No. Head Pounds Million lbs. | | | |

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|------|-------|--------|------|
| 1940 | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ |
| 1950 | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ |
| 1959 | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ |
| 1969 | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ |
| 1978 | 4,400 | 10,900 | 48.0 |
| 1982 | 3,800 | 12,200 | 46.4 |
| 1987 | 2,800 | 13,100 | 36.7 |
| 1992 | 1,800 | 15,000 | 27.0 |
| 1993 | 1,800 | 14,700 | 26.5 |
| 1994 | 1,800 | 15,100 | 27.2 |
| 1995 | 1,400 | 15,600 | 21.8 |
| 1996 | 1,300 | 15,400 | 20.0 |
| 1997 | 1,300 | 15,700 | 20.4 |
| 1998 | 1,300 | 16,000 | 20.8 |

1/ Not available.

MILK: Cows & Production



EQUINE: Inventory and Value,

1997 Census of Agriculture

| Total Equine | Rank in Inventory State | Rank in Value State |
|--------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
|--------------|-------------------------|---------------------|

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CORN: Acreage, Yield, and Production

| Year | All Planted | Grain | | | Silage | | |
|------|----------------|-----------|---------|------------|-----------|-------|------------|
| | | Harvested | Yield | Production | Harvested | Yield | Production |
| | Acres | Acres | Bushels | Bushels | Acres | Tons | Tons |
| 1940 | 4,613 | 1,754 | 38.7 | 67,829 | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ |
| 1950 | 3,520 | 1,032 | 47.1 | 48,586 | 2,253 | 6.7 | 15,203 |
| 1959 | 2,697 | 732 | 52.6 | 38,471 | 1,892 | 9.9 | 18,662 |
| 1969 | 3,200 | 700 | 81.0 | 56,700 | 1/ | 1/ | 1/ |
| 1978 | 3,400 | 900 | 95.0 | 85,500 | 2,500 | 13.0 | 32,500 |
| 1982 | 4,600 | 2,000 | 95.0 | 190,000 | 2,500 | 12.6 | 31,500 |
| 1987 | 2,500 | 1,000 | 91.0 | 91,000 | 1,200 | 12.0 | 14,400 |
| 1992 | 2,700 | 800 | 106.0 | 84,800 | 1,800 | 16.8 | 30,200 |
| 1993 | 2,200 | 900 | 84.0 | 75,600 | 1,300 | 12.5 | 16,200 |
| 1994 | 2,200 | 900 | 108.0 | 97,300 | 1,300 | 15.7 | 20,400 |
| 1995 | 2,100 | 900 | 104.0 | 93,600 | 1,200 | 12.8 | 15,400 |
| 1996 | 2,000 | 800 | 102.0 | 81,700 | 1,100 | 14.2 | 15,600 |
| 1997 | 2,000 | 800 | 117.0 | 93,600 | 1,200 | 14.0 | 16,800 |
| 1998 | 2,000 | 800 | 106.0 | 84,800 | 1,200 | 15.8 | 18,900 |

1940 - 1969 U.S. Census of Agriculture

1/ Not available

HAY: Acreage, Yield, and Production 1/

| Year | Alfalfa Hay | | | Other Hay | | | Total Hay | | |
|------|-------------|-------|------------|-----------|-------|------------|-----------|-------|------------|
| | Harvested | Yield | Production | Harvested | Yield | Production | Harvested | Yield | Production |
| | Acres | Tons | Tons | Acres | Tons | Tons | Acres | Tons | Tons |
| 1940 | 1,867 | 1.8 | 3,289 | 43,319 | 0.9 | 38,226 | 45,186 | 0.9 | 41,515 |
| 1950 | 3,163 | 1.7 | 5,493 | 32,272 | 1.3 | 40,994 | 35,435 | 1.3 | 46,487 |
| 1959 | 5,321 | 1.6 | 8,626 | 24,351 | 1.1 | 26,712 | 29,672 | 1.2 | 35,338 |
| 1969 | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ | 2/ | 16,128 | 1.8 | 28,785 |
| 1978 | 5,300 | 2.9 | 15,400 | 16,100 | 1.7 | 27,400 | 21,400 | 2.0 | 42,800 |
| 1982 | 5,800 | 2.8 | 16,200 | 13,800 | 1.7 | 23,500 | 19,600 | 2.0 | 39,700 |
| 1987 | 5,800 | 2.9 | 16,900 | 13,000 | 1.7 | 22,000 | 18,800 | 2.1 | 38,900 |
| 1992 | 4,500 | 2.6 | 11,900 | 10,800 | 1.6 | 17,800 | 15,300 | 1.9 | 29,700 |
| 1993 | 3,800 | 1.6 | 6,100 | 11,900 | 1.8 | 21,900 | 15,700 | 1.8 | 28,000 |
| 1994 | 3,400 | 1.9 | 6,500 | 11,800 | 2.1 | 24,700 | 15,200 | 2.1 | 31,200 |
| 1995 | 4,000 | 1.7 | 6,800 | 11,200 | 2.0 | 22,400 | 15,200 | 1.9 | 29,200 |
| 1996 | 4,600 | 2.7 | 12,400 | 10,600 | 1.8 | 19,100 | 15,200 | 2.1 | 31,500 |
| 1997 | 4,100 | 2.2 | 8,900 | 11,400 | 1.6 | 18,300 | 15,500 | 1.8 | 27,200 |
| 1998 | 3,800 | 2.1 | 7,900 | 10,400 | 1.6 | 16,700 | 14,200 | 1.7 | 24,600 |

1940 - 1969 U.S. Census of Agriculture

1/ Dry hay only - excludes silage and green chop

2/ Not available